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Mr. Michael Berkoff
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region V
Superfund Division, Remedial Response Section #2
77 West Jackson Boulevard (SR - 6J)
Chicago, Illinois 60604 - 3590

Dear Mr. Berkoff:

Re: Request for Extension for Submittal of Revised Remedial Design
12th Street Landfill Operable Unit No.4
Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site
Allegan and Kalamazoo County

This letter has been prepared in response to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA's) September 3, 2009 letter granting an extension for the Revised Remedial Design for the 12th Street Landfill, Operable Unit No.4, Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site, Allegan and Kalamazoo County (Site), and to request an additional extension for submittal of Revised Remedial Design (RD) by Weyerhaeuser Company (Weyerhaeuser) required by the letter.

Pursuant to the terms of the Consent Decree for the Design and Implementation of Certain Response Actions at Operable Unit No. 4 and the Plainwell, Inc. Mill Property of the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site (Consent Decree), which became effective February 22, 2005, Weyerhaeuser complied with the Consent Decree by providing the U.S. EPA with a formal response to the comments on September 21, 2009, however as noted in previous discussions, the revisions to the RD to address the changes requested by U.S. EPA required additional time to complete. At the time, Weyerhaeuser anticipated it would take six to eight weeks to complete the revised remedial design. U.S. EPA granted an extension of approximately six weeks to the deadline, which is consistent with the minimum time request by Weyerhaeuser. Based on the progress to date, Weyerhaeuser anticipates that at least eight weeks is required to complete the work approved and is requesting an extension to November 3, 2009. This represents a total of seventy-five days to complete the Revised Design, which is reasonable for a design package of this nature.

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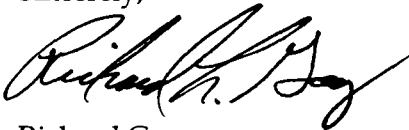
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Weyerhaeuser trusts that the U.S. EPA is aware of the critical nature and extent of the workload required to revise the RD and, as outlined during the July 21, 2009 meeting and acknowledged by the U.S. EPA, no construction activities will occur in 2009 related to the 12th Street Landfill Remedial Action, therefore, there is still sufficient time to complete the RD prior to the 2010 construction season if the extension is granted.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Gay", written in a cursive style.

Richard Gay
Project Manager

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